Table B1. Annual number of births: 1946 to 2001

[In thousands]

Calendar year		Number of births	Calendar year		Number of births
1946		3,426	1974		3,160
1947		3,834	1975		3,144
1948		3,655	1976		3,168
1949		3,667	1977		3,327
1950		3,645	1978		3,333
1951		3,845	1979		3,494
1952		3,933	1980		3,612
1953		3,989	1981		3,629
1954		4.102	1982		3,681
1955		4,128	1983		3,639
1956		4,244	1984		3,669
957		4,332	1985		3,761
1958		4,279	1986		3,757
1959		4,313	1987		3,809
1960		4,307	1988		3,910
1961		4,317	1989		4,041
1962		4,213	1990		4,158
1963		4,142	1991		4,111
1964		4,070	1992		4,065
1965		3,801	1993		4,000
1966		3,642	1994		3,953
1967		3,555	1995		3,900
1968		3,535	1996		3,891
1969		3,626	1997		3,881
970		3,739	1998		3,942
1971		3,556	1999		3,959
1972		3,258	2000		4,063
1973		3,137	2001		4,028

NOTE: Some data have been revised from previously published figures.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Annual Summary of Births, Marriages, Divorces, and Deaths: United States, various years, *National Vital Statistics Reports*. (This table was prepared June 2003.)